



**Matthews Transportation Advisory Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 21, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Matthews Transportation Advisory Committee will be conducted remotely using the Zoom virtual meeting platform.

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<https://zoom.us/j/96625741951?pwd=amVOWkpSbG9SU0ZwRXN3UDJUN0FiQT09>

Meeting ID: 966 2574 1951 Password: 522877 (An account is not necessary to join.)

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1. Call to order – Stevens 7:02
2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum – Hough
 - TAC Members: Bill Stevens (chair), Vince Manno (vice-chair), Donny Rhodes, Lou Abernathy, George Sottilo, Chris Hough
 - Staff: Susan Habina-Woolard
 - Guests: Ralph Messera, Michael Bywaletz, Mark Tafano
3. Approval of the Minutes from November 19, 2020 meeting (attached) – Stevens
 - Mr. Manno made a motion to approve. Mr. Sottilo seconded, the motion passed with unanimous approval.
4. Announcements – Staff
 - The town webpage has been updated to include transportation project links:
<https://matthewsnc.gov/pview.aspx?id=20847&catid=567>
 - TAC handbook was distributed, Lorri will be making updates and is looking for input.
5. Unfinished Business – Stevens
 - Speed Hump Policy - discussed the draft memo for Board of Commissioners (included in meeting agenda packet)
 - Mr. Sottilo motioned to accept the memo as drafted and submit to the Board of Commissioners, Mr. Hough seconded and the motion passed with unanimous approval.
 - Mr. Abernathy commented that the estimated cost of a professional consultant should be better understood before committing to the expenditure.
 - Town vision statement: Vision 5. *Expanded Park and Open Space System*
<https://www.matthewsnc.gov/files/documents/VisionStatements20191561034636013019PM.pdf>
 - TAC reviewed and discussed Vision Statement 5 and how it relates to committee activities

- Bylaws: Review the TAC Bylaws *Article II - Mission Statement* (attached)
 - TAC reviewed and discussed the Mission Statement TAC Bylaws, no modifications suggested
- Mr. Rhodes provided an update from the Charlotte Area Transit Group (CTAG)
 - CATS ridership is down 53%, presumably due to COVID-19
 - CATS is testing new cleaning methods and temporarily suspending some express routes, (including 65X), and running some lines less frequently.
 - TAC decided to add an agenda sub-item under Unfinished Business for CTAG updates moving forward.

6. New Business

- TAC Elections
 - Article IV: "The Committee shall elect a chairperson, vice-chairperson, and a secretary... Elections shall take place in January."
 1. Mr. Sottilo motioned to maintain current committee positions of Bill Stevens as Chairman, Vince Manno as Vice-Chairman, and Chris Hough as Secretary. Mr. Manno seconded, the motion was unanimously approved.
- Rezoning <https://matthewsnc.gov/pview.aspx?id=20799&catid=567>
 - 2020-725
 1. TAC reviewed proposed rezonings and questioned the width of private road (parking and emergency access) and access on private way
- Upcoming Board of Commissioners presentations
 - Ms. Habina-Woolard informed that the McKee Rd Segment A project received a \$2MM contribution for acquisition of right-of-way
- Mr. Sottilo requested future TAC agenda items:
 - Privette Rd alignment
 - Fullwood Ln speed limit. Mr. Sottilo requested speed and accident data on Fullwood Ln for context around future speed adjustment discussions.
 - Discussion of proposing a dedicated right turn lane from Weddington to Pleasant Plains Rd
- Mr. Messera asked the TAC to recommend moving forward with the town mobility study plan for a greenway path from S. Fremont St. over to & across Fullwood Ln, connecting to the walkway along Fullwood. TAC will add this as an agenda item for the March regular meeting.
- Mr. Manno made a motion to temporarily add Public Input at the beginning of the TAC regular meeting agenda, after approval of minutes. Public input would be permitted but limited to 4 minutes maximum, per person. This applies specifically and only to the February regular meeting. Mr. Sottilo seconded the motion, Mr. Stevens and Mr. Abernathy voted in approval and the motion passed.

7. Adjournment